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SUBJECT: LIBYA-GUINEA MUTUAL DEFENSE TREATY

1. KNOWLEDGEABLE GUINEAN SOURCE HAS CONFIRMED REPORT CARRIED IN FBIS-SAF-74-168 THAT LIBYA AND GUINEA SIGNED A MUTUAL DEFENSE TREATY DURING RECENT QADHAFI VISIT TO CONKARY. SOURCE SAID GUINEAN GOVERNMENT EMBARRASSED BY PUBLICITY SINCE GUINEA BELIEVED IT HAD BEEN UNDERSTOOD THAT THIS AGREEMENT WOULD BE KEPT SECRET. (REPORTEDLY THERE WERE ALSO UNPUBLICIZED SEPARATE AGREEMENTS FOR ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL COOPERATION).

2. SUCH MUTAL DEFENSE TREATY PROBABLY PRIMARILY PART OF GUINEA'S EFFORTS TO GET WHATEVER ASSISTANCE IT CAN FROM LIBYA AND OTHER OIL-RICH ARAB COUNTRIES. IT UNLIKELY HAVE MUCH EFFECT ON GUINEA'S MILITARY POSTURE. HOWEVER, SOVIETS WHO INCREASINGLY UNHAPPY OVER GUINEA'S NEW EMPHASIS ON ISLAM, ARE NOW REPORTEDLY CONCERNED AT DEFENSE TREATY PARTICULARLY GIVEN QADHAFI'S OFT-STATED POSITION AGAINST SOCIALISM. GUINEA GOVERNMENT PROBABLY LESS WORRIED ABOUT ADVERSE SOVIET REACTION SINCE WITH INDEPENDENCE OF GUINEA-BISSAU AND IMPROVING RELATIONS WITH

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FRANCE, IT HAS LESS NEED FOR MILITARY PROTECTION WHICH SOVIETS

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